111TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. RES. 1197

Expressing support for democracy in Honduras and restoring normal relations between Honduras and the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 18, 2010

Mr. Rohrabacher (for himself, Mr. Mack, Mr. Burton of Indiana, and Ms. Ros-Lehtinen) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

RESOLUTION

Expressing support for democracy in Honduras and restoring normal relations between Honduras and the United States.

- Whereas in January 2010, Porfirio "Pepe" Lobo Sosa was inaugurated as President of Honduras;
- Whereas President Lobo was brought to power by a free, fair, and democratic election;
- Whereas this election demonstrated the durability of and commitment to democracy in Honduras;
- Whereas the election of President Lobo has been accepted as legitimate by numerous countries, including the United States; and

Whereas Honduras has many unresolved expropriation claims involving United States citizens against the Government of Honduras: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

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- (1) requests the Department of State to take such actions as may be necessary to assure that the Government of Honduras acknowledges and settles in good faith and within a reasonable time, all unresolved expropriation claims of United States citizens against the Government of Honduras or its agencies;
 - (2) recognizes Honduras as a democratic country and calls on responsible nations to restore normal relations with the Government of Honduras;
 - (3) supports Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton's announcement that the United States will, "be restoring aid to Honduras" and her immediate actions to do so; and
 - (4) urges Department of State Consular officials to review new visa applications, submitted by members of the former Government of Honduras under President Micheletti, without prejudice of an applicant's previously revoked visa.

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